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In re Application of: Karl Buegler et al.

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PROTEINS, NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES
ENCODING HUMAN TRANSPORTER
PROTEINS, AND USES THEREOF

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Response to Office Action

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued by Examiner Basi on December 2, 2002, Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A Two-Month Extension of Time is filed herewith.

In the specification:

Please replace section of "DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURE SHEETS" on the second half of page 15 with the section as follows:

Brief Description of the Drawings:

FIGURE 1 (Figure 1A-1B) provides the nucleotide sequence of a cDNA molecule that encodes the transporter protein of the present invention. In addition structure and functional information is provided, such as ATG start, stop and tissue distribution, where available, that allows one to readily determine specific uses of inventions based on this molecular sequence. Experimental data as provided in Figure 1 indicates expression in humans in the testis, bone marrow, colon, fetal brain, heart (adult and fetal), fetal liver, kidney, and pancreas.